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18 August 1972

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MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted]

SUBJECT : Notes on MC&G Working Group Meeting
of 15 August 1972

1. Since the majority of those around the table had not been briefed on the DMA, [redacted] initiated the meeting by describing DMA's mission, responsibilities, and functions; its organizational structure; and its funds and manpower strength. In short, he gave a shortened version of General Penney's briefing of COMIREX. Charlie asked that the names of recipients of the minutes of the meetings be reviewed in order that he might reduce the number of copies distributed.

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NRO review(s) completed.

NGA review(s) completed.

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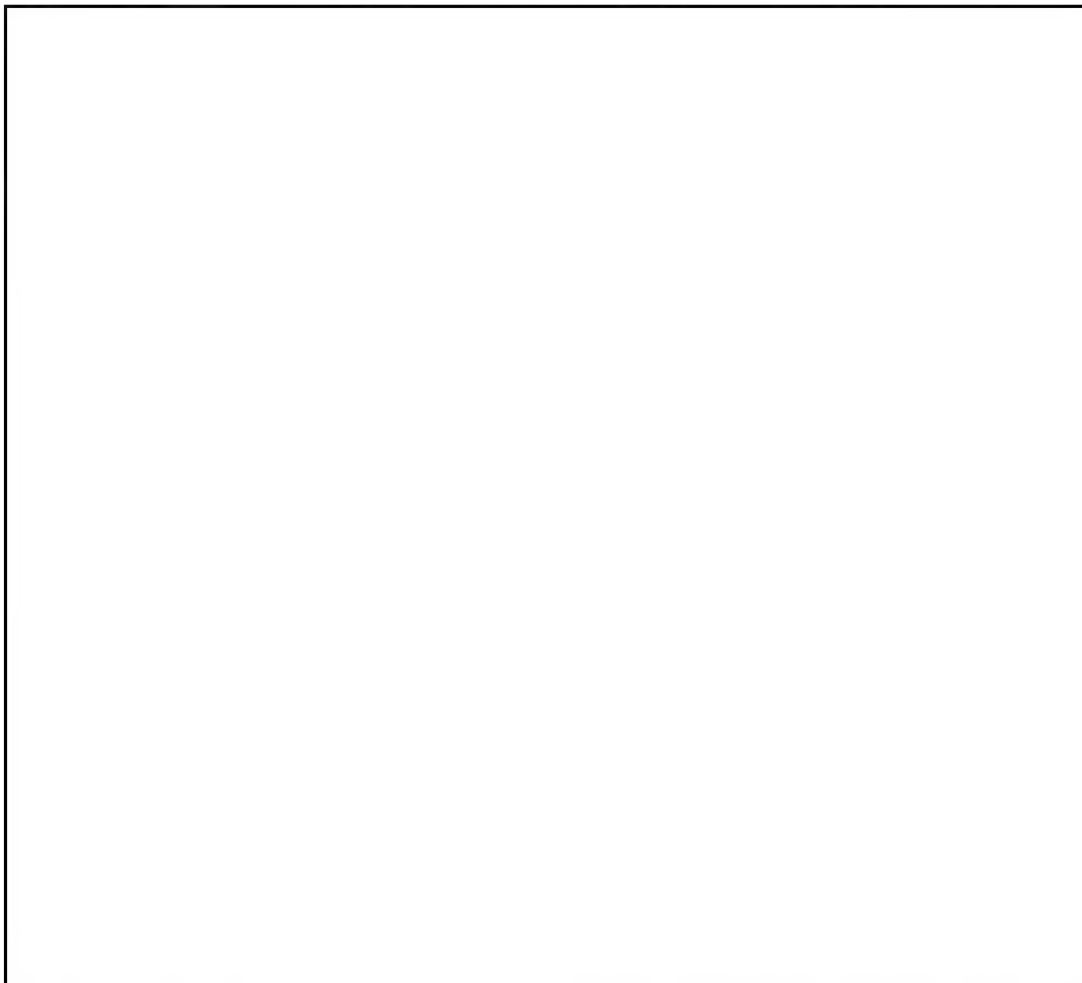
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5. [redacted] explained the status of the MC&G requirements paper and asked if there were any questions with respect to the covering memorandum. Two or three non-substantive points were brought up and were to be forwarded to

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[redacted] All seemed pleased with the action being taken.

6. In covering the last item on the agenda, [redacted] stated that he would brief the Working Group near the end of September with respect to what goes into planning the software

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for the [redacted] He will want from the ACRES at the Topographic Center, DMA, all active cells, by priorities, that comprise the requirements against the mapping camera. He will then undertake two simulations. Six weeks after these practice runs, further work will be for real.

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7. Clark brought up a point on the need for addressing the question of the number and distribution of copies of the film. He wondered if EXSUBCOM would be involved, or would the MC&G Working Group be tasked with this problem? He also noted that the people at [redacted] were asking whether the mapping camera film would be broken down by geographic areas or just handled "from head to tail." [redacted] said that the thinking to date was that the DIA would provide materials, upon request, to all recipients outside of the DMA.

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8. Members of the Working Group immediately indicated that their respective departments might wish to submit requirements for copies of the film. [redacted] of NPIC said that they had already arranged to receive two duplicate positives of all mapping film and a copy of film from the stellar cameras. The DIA representative asked if graphic portrayals of successful coverage would be made available. [redacted] stated that they are planning to have such graphics for the Working Group. I mentioned that you might wish to consider inclusion of successful coverage by the mapping camera as part of the Quarterly Report on Overhead Imagery Reconnaissance. [redacted] said they could provide their type of graphics or the Cartographic people in CIA could obtain the information from [redacted]

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9. [Obviously, the discussion as reported in paragraphs 7 and 8 above indicate the need for some prompt forward planning. I am sure [redacted] will pursue these

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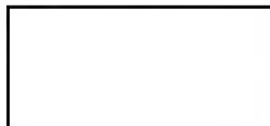
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questions. Today, 18 August, I talked to [redacted]
[redacted] saw him this morning.
Bill felt that the MC&G Working Group should develop
the requirements for copies and distribution of film from the
mapping camera. EXSUBCOM will offer guidance and advice
and will give its blessing to the results in terms of insuring
that no detriment will result to affect the processing required
to meet national intelligence requirements.]

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10. At the end of the meeting, [redacted] mentioned
that he had been talking with the people at the Topographic
Center with regard to an optical titler for the mapping film.
This would provide the mission number, rev number, op
number, frame number, as well as starboard and port stellar
data.

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